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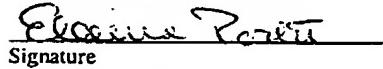
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 9, 2005, the Applicants respectfully request a 3 month extension of time to January 9, 2006, within which to respond.

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In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect Species I as shown in Figs. 1 to 13, and claimed in at least claims 1 to 7 and 11 to 16, without prejudice to pursue the non-elected claims at a future date in this or in another application. Additionally, the Applicants request that the Examiner consider rejoinder of non-elected claims as appropriate should allowable subject matter be found among the elected claims.

A fee of \$1,020.00 for a three month extension of time is believed due with this Response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge this fee, and any other fees associated with this Response, to Deposit Account No. 19-2090.

Respectfully submitted,

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